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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS MISSION IN HAITI

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 23 September 1994, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Committee considered the item at its 36th to 38th meetings, on 21 and 22 December 1994. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/49/SR.36-38).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/49/318 and Add.1 and Corr.1).

4. At the 36th meeting, on 21 December 1994, the Controller made a statement regarding the need for assessment of the commitment authority concurred in by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the expanded operation of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (see A/C.5/49/SR.36).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DECISION A/C.5/49/L.12 AND Rev.1

5. At the 37th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman introduced a draft decision entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti" (A/C.5/49/L.12), which read:

"The General Assembly, recalling its resolution 48/246 of 5 April 1994 and pending its review of the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,

"(a) Decides, on an exceptional basis, to authorize the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the maintenance of the Mission in Haiti:

"(i) For the period from 1 August to 31 December 1994, the amount of 1,347,000 United States dollars gross (1,217,900 dollars net), authorized by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/229 of 23 December 1993;

"(ii) For the period from 1 December 1994 to 28 February 1995, up to the amount of 9,509,300 dollars gross (9,063,400 dollars net), authorized by the Advisory Committee in accordance with resolution 48/229, subject to the extension of the mandate for the month of February 1995 by the Security Council;

"(b) Decides also, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 1,347,000 dollars gross (1,217,900 dollars net), for the period from 1 August to 31 December 1994, among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991 and 47/218 A of 23 December 1992 and its decision 48/472 A of 23 December 1993, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1992, 1993 and 1994 as set out in Assembly resolutions 46/221 A of 20 December 1991 and 48/223 A of 23 December 1993 and Assembly decision 47/456 of 23 December 1992;

"(c) Decides further, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 9,509,300 dollars gross (9,063,400 dollars net), for the period from 1 December 1994 to 28 February 1995, among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991 and 47/218 A of 23 December 1992 and its decision 48/472 A of 23 December 1993, the scale of assessments for the year 1994 2/ to be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 4,046,400 dollars gross (4,034,700 dollars net), which is the amount pertaining to the period ending 31 December 1994, and the scale of assessments for the year 1995 3/ to be applied against the balance, that

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1/ A/49/318 and Add.1 and Corr.1.

2/ See resolutions 46/221 A and 48/223 A and decision 47/456.

3/ See resolution 49/___.

is, 5,462,900 dollars gross (5,028,700 dollars net), for the period from 1 January to 28 February 1995, inclusive;

"(d) Decides that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in subparagraph (b) above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 129,100 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 August to 31 December 1994, inclusive;

"(e) Decides also that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in subparagraph (c) above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 445,900 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 December 1994 to 28 February 1995, inclusive, 11,700 dollars being the amount pertaining to the period ending 31 December 1994, and the balance, that is, 434,200 dollars, for the period from 1 January to 28 February 1995, inclusive."

6. At the 38th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman submitted a revised draft decision (A/C.5/49/L.12/Rev.1).

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted revised draft decision A/C.5/49/L.12/Rev.1 without a vote (see para. 8).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

8. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti

The General Assembly, recalling its resolution 48/246 of 5 April 1994 and pending its review of the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti 4/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:

(a) Takes note of the amount of 1,347,000 United States dollars gross (1,217,900 dollars net) for the period from 1 August to 31 December 1994 and the amount of 9,509,300 dollars gross (9,063,400 dollars net) for the period from 1 December 1994 to 28 February 1995 already authorized by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/229 of 23 December 1993, subject to the extension by the Security Council of the mandate of the United Nations Mission in Haiti for the month of February 1995;

4/ A/49/318 and Add.1 and Corr.1.

(b) Decides, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 2,036,700 dollars gross (1,844,100 dollars net) among Member States for the period from 1 August 1994 to 31 January 1995 in accordance with the composition of groups set out by the General Assembly in paragraphs 3 and 4 of its resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991 and 47/218 A of 23 December 1992 and its decision 48/472 A of 23 December 1993, the scale of assessments for the year 1994 5/ to be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 1,693,560 dollars gross (1,533,409 dollars net), which is the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1994, and the scale of assessments for the year 1995 6/ to be applied against the balance, that is, 343,140 dollars gross (310,691 dollars net), for the period from 1 to 31 January 1995, inclusive;

(c) Decides also that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in subparagraph (b) above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 192,600 dollars approved for the period from 1 August 1994 to 31 January 1995, inclusive; 160,151 dollars being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1994, and the balance, that is, 32,449 dollars, for the period from 1 to 31 January 1995, inclusive.

5/ See resolutions 46/221 A and 48/223 A and decision 47/456.

6/ See resolution 49/___.